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In re Application of
Landers et al.

Application No. 10/075,804

Filed: 24 October, 2001

For: AUTOMATED HORIZONTALLY STRUCTURED MANUFACTURING PROCESS DESIGN MODELING

Dear Ms. Deverankonda:

You are named as a joint inventor in the above identified United States patent application, filed under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 116 (United States Code), and 37 CFR 1.47(a), Rules of Practice in Patent Cases. Should a patent be granted on the application you will be designated therein as a joint inventor.

As a named inventor you are entitled to inspect any paper in the file wrapper of the application, order copies of all or any part thereof (at a prepaid cost per 37 CFR 1.19) or make your position of record in the application. Alternatively, you may arrange to do any of the preceding through a registered patent attorney or agent presenting written authorization from you. If you care to join the application, counsel of record (see below) would presumably assist you. Joining in the application would entail the filing of an appropriate oath or declaration by you pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63.

Telephone inquiries regarding this communication should be directed to Petitions Attorney Douglas I. Wood at 703/308-6918. Requests for information regarding your application should be directed to the File Information Unit at 703/308-2733. Information regarding how to pay for and order a copy of the application, or a specific paper in the application, should be directed to Certification Division at 703/308-9726 or 1-800-972-6382 (outside the Washington D.C. area).

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In re Application of :
Landers et al. :
Application No. 10/075,804 : DECISION ACCORDING STATUS
Filed: 24 October, 2001 : UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)
Attorney Docket No. DP-301830 :

This is in response to the petition filed under 37 CFR 1.47(a) on
23 May, 2002.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

Petitioners have shown that the non-signing inventor cannot be found. Specifically, petitioners have shown, via the statements of petitioners' registered patent attorney, Troy LaMontague, and the statement of Joshua Haines, that a copy of the application sent to the non-signing inventor's last known address by Federal Express was returned to petitioners' counsel because the non-signing inventor no longer lived at that address. Despite additional attempts to determine a more recent address for the non-signing inventor, the non-signing inventor could not be located.

This application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

The Office is construing the address listed in the Federal Express Delivery Information: 1315 Morreene Road, Apt. 20H, Durham, NC 27705, rather than the address listed in the petition, as the last known address of the non-signing inventor. Petitioners **must** notify the Office if this is an incorrect interpretation.

As provided in Rule 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventor at the address stated above. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

The application is being forwarded to Technology Center 2100 for examination in due course.

Telephone inquiries related to this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 703-308-6918.



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